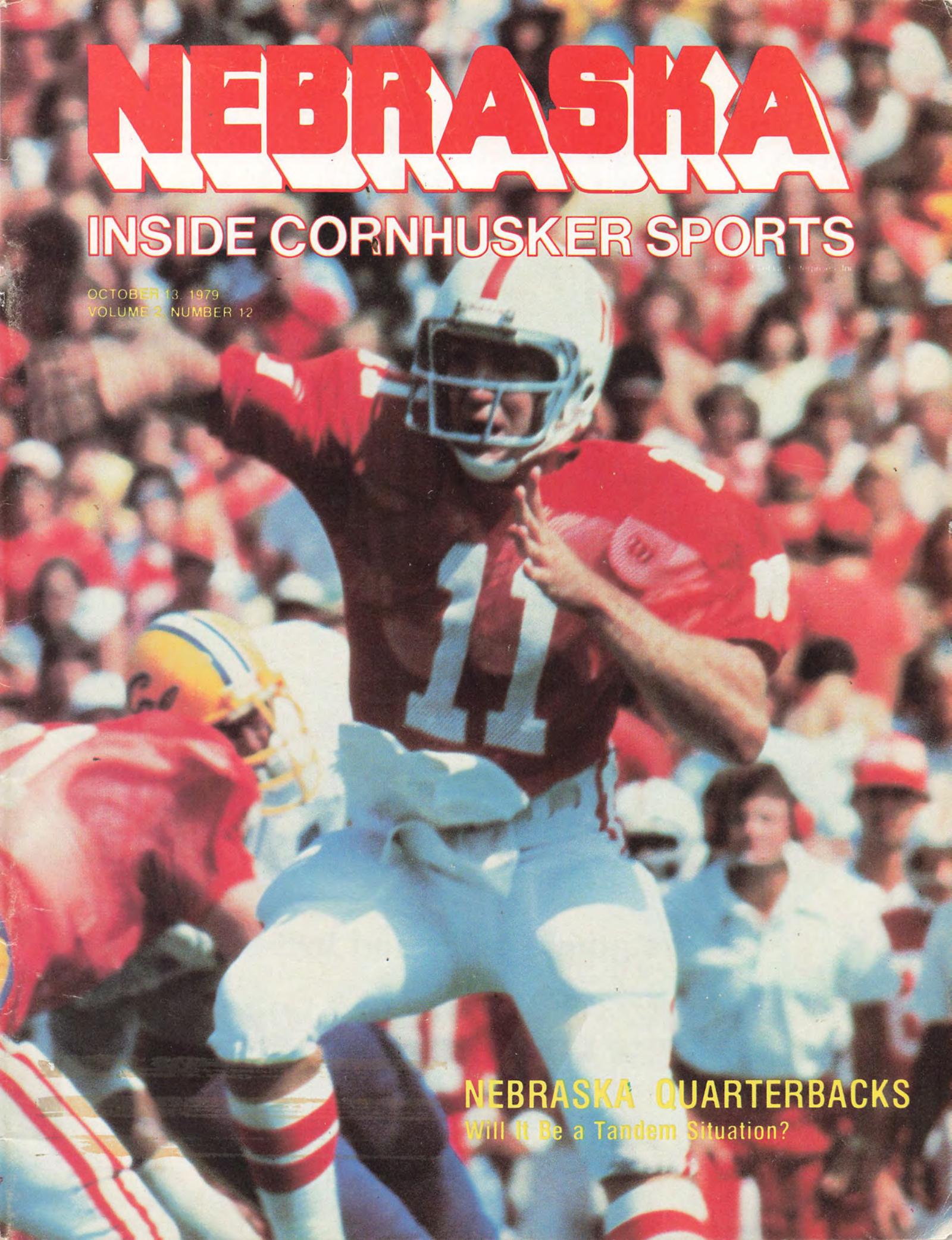


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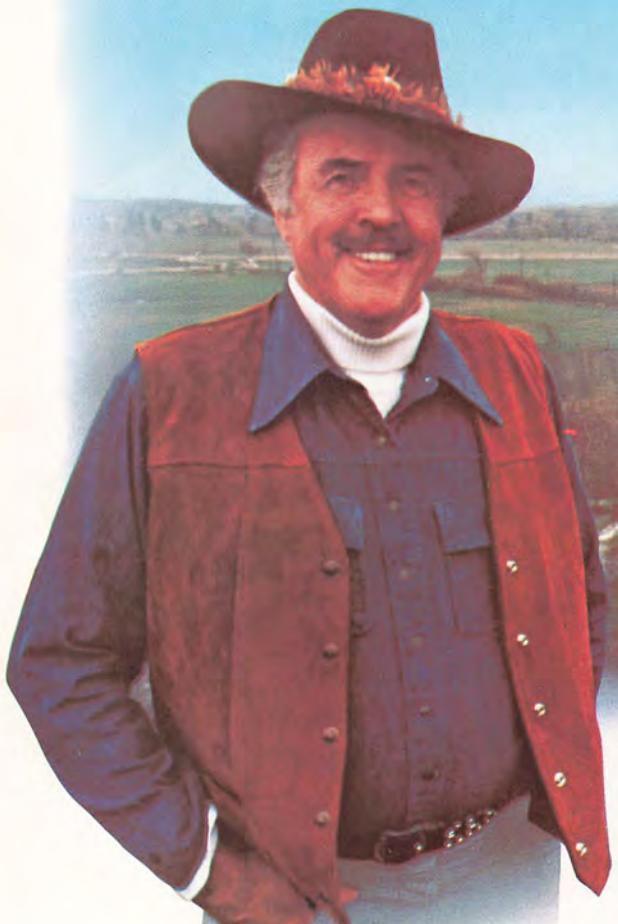
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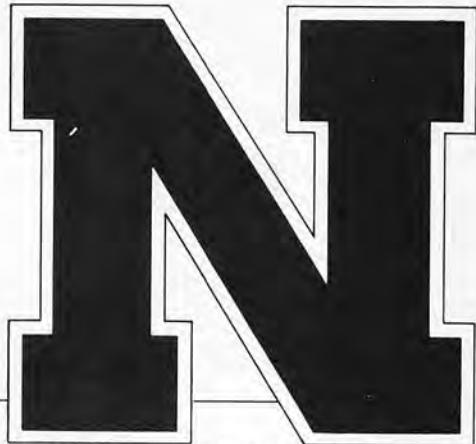
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HUSKERS SKATE THROUGH AGGIES 57-0

AND THE BAND PLAYED ON

by Charlie Smith

A couple of things didn't go exactly right for Nebraska's football team against New Mexico State. But not many. And, certainly, not enough to affect the outcome of the game.

Biggest boo-boo was committed by the NU band, which was celebrating its 100th birthday. The halftime show ran long, the band did not get off the field in time and the Cornhuskers' football team was assessed a 15-yard penalty to start the second half.

"I wasn't very happy about that," said

head coach Tom Osborne. "We had to wait like everybody else. It was just one of those things. They let the time get away from them.

"That's the first time I've ever seen that penalty called."

The game, as everyone expected, wasn't much of a contest. Not even the final score of 57-0 really indicated the magnitude of the mismatch. Still, there were 76,135 souls who were willing to pay \$9.25 — or more — to see it. Most of them,

though, had seen enough by midway through the fourth quarter and they clogged the Memorial Stadium exits during the waning moments of the contest.

Equipment director Glen Abbott said the Cornhuskers suited up 93 or 94 players and, as far as he knew, all got into the fracas. Osborne thought almost everyone saw action, but he was uncertain about a couple.

As for the mismatch, if there was a point that made a difference in how the game was played, it was the coin toss. Nebraska, for the first time this season, won the flip and took the 15-mile an hour wind. The breeze, which gusted up to 20 miles an hour out of the north-northwest on a 66-degree afternoon, helped the Cornhuskers land a three-touchdown salvo on their first three possessions.

That made it 21-0 before New Mexico State was able to gain a first down. And, from there, the contest part of the affair was played for laughs.

Despite playing everyone within shouting distance, Nebraska rolled up 569 yards total offense, compared to the Aggies' 156.

The game was more costly than just another loss for the 2-4 New Mexico Staters, too. Fullback Ray Locklin, considered one of the finest backs in the Missouri Valley Conference and the league's rushing leader, was knocked out with a possible shoulder separation late in the second quarter. Several other Aggies also left the game with various ailments.

Despite the quick three touchdowns and an 80-yard punt return by Kenny Brown



Reserve tight end Jeff Finn, left, goes high to snare this pass over New Mexico State linebacker Leo Barker. Meanwhile, Aggie quarterback Butch Kelly, right, is receiving far too much heat from Nebraska defensive tackle Bill Barnett (97).

Ted Kirk photos





early in the second quarter, the Cornhuskers stopped themselves a couple of times with fumbles. And that was an area that concerned Osborne.

"The only thing that was displeasing were the offensive turnovers," he said. "The second quarter is when I was most concerned. At that point, I was glad to be ahead 28-0. We had the wind against us then, and it's a tribute to our defense and kicking game that we kept 'em bottled up."

New Mexico State never threatened to score. The Aggies' deepest first-half push was to the Nebraska 46-yard line. In the fourth quarter they managed to reach the Cornhuskers' 48. And that was it.

With the lead at 28-0, the Huskers botched a couple of scoring opportunities in the second quarter. First, Jeff Quinn fumbled on the end of a 17-yard run. Then Craig Johnson also was knocked loose from the football. Both turnovers, though, occurred deep in New Mexico State territory — the 15 and 30-yard lines — so there was never much danger the Aggies might retaliate.

Johnson, incidentally, was used enough to carry the football 12 times. He also scored three touchdowns on runs of 2, 1 and 11 yards. I. M. Hipp did not play because of a toe injury and starter Jarvis Redwine did not return after a 15-yard run midway through the second quarter. Redwine finished his short day with 120 yards on 16 carries and Johnson added 59 more on his 12 totes.

In all, 15 players carried the football for Nebraska in the game. At one time during the fourth quarter, the Cornhuskers had a backfield of third-string quarterback Mark Mauer, a sophomore, and three freshmen — I-back Dennis Rogan, fullback Craig Holmon and wingback Ricky Simmons.

"We used a lot of kids who had never practiced with the varsity," said Osborne. "At one point I was asking some of the freshmen what plays they knew."

Shrugged New Mexico State's second-year coach, Gil Krueger, "This game was a heck of an experience for us. Our kids hit them hard, but we were just overmatched."

Linebacker Don Campbell, who played against Redwine in high school at Inglewood, California, added, "He's just as overpowering now as before. I've never played anyone like Nebraska. I hope they wind up number one."

Jarvis Redwine (12) dipsy-doodles, top, while the Aggies' Anthony Watson (19) and David Day (77) grab little more than air. But Redwine can run with authority, too, splicing between Watson and Day, who find the Nebraska junior hard to handle.

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1979 NU FOOTBALL SIGNEES

Player, Position

Alven, Robert, OG
 Austin, Jimmy, RB
 Corbeil, Jim, DB
 Craig, Roger, RB
 Dhein, Doug, OT/DE

Herrmann, Doug, FB/LB
 Holman, Craig, FB/DE
 Jeffries, Jim, DB
 Johnson, Randee, QB
 Keeler, Mike, T
 Mason, Nate, QB
 Merrell, Jeff, T
 Owen, Keith, DB
 Raidon, Scott, T
 Rogan, Dennis, IB/WB

Schmuecker, Dan, T
 Steinkuhler, Dean, T
 Seibel, Kevin, LB

Sherlock, John, T
 Simmons, Ricky, WB
 Sprattle, Tod, TE/DE

*Tuck, Mark, T

*Waechter, Henry, DT
 Wilkering, Doug, RB
 *Junior College Transfer

Hgt.	Wgt.	Hometown
6-0	240	Dallas, Texas
6-1	205	Miami, Florida
6-2	197	Oak Park, Illinois
6-2	203	Davenport, Iowa
6-6	220	Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin
6-4	225	Custer, South Dakota
6-4	210	Omaha
6-1	190	Grand Island
6-2	190	Lincoln
6-5	250	Omaha
6-2	179	Greenville, Texas
6-5	250	Huntsville, Alabama
6-0	180	Neosho, Missouri
6-4	240	Mason City, Iowa
6-0	175	Colorado Springs, Colorado
6-6	255	Omaha
6-3	220	Burr
6-2	230	Vermillion, South Dakota
6-3	235	Bellevue
5-11	160	Greenville, Texas
6-4	225	Rochester, Minnesota
6-4	235	Matthews, North Carolina
6-6	250	Epworth, Iowa
6-2	205	Littleton, Colorado



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Whatever doubt surrounded this game was removed before most members of the 102nd straight sellout crowd in Memorial Stadium had settled into their seats.

Short punts by Marc Brandt, combined with poor field position and the wind, kept New Mexico State pinned against its goal line in the first quarter. On their first three possessions, the Aggies ran three plays and punted. And Nebraska scored after each punt.

The Cornhuskers covered 48 yards, 36 yards and 43 yards for the scores.

Johnson ended the first drive with a two-yard run. Redwine did much of the damage with a 15-yard scamper off a draw play for a first down at the Aggies' eight.

Brandt managed only a 13-yarder after the next series and Nebraska needed only seven plays to sail 36 yards. Redwine scored his first touchdown as a Cornhusker on a one-yard leap over the right side.

The Huskers made it look easy on their next possession. Quarterback Tim Hager, who played only midway into the second quarter, fired a 43-yard strike to Junior Miller down the middle of the field. Miller cut between cornerback Michael Armand and free safety Anthony Watson to make the one-play touchdown grab.

"I wasn't sure where the end zone was," said Armand. "When I did, I tried to pull him (Miller) back. He's just a very big, powerful guy . . . a very powerful guy."

Tim Smith rolled a punt dead on the New Mexico State 6-yard line to start the second quarter. That was before the Aggies made their first first down, a 20-yard pass completion from Butch Kelly to Terry Haynes.

But the one first down was it for the Aggies and, once again, Brandt had to punt. This time Kenny Brown fielded the football at the Nebraska 20. He reached the picket at the sideline because of an exquisite blind-side block by Mark LeRoy on Jim Hemphill.

And that was all Brown needed, scooting 80 yards for the fourth touchdown with 12:27 left in the half.

The Cornhuskers drove for a 21-yard field goal by Dean Sukup on the last play of the half, eschewing a touchdown try from the Aggies' four.

"I don't think a game is ever completely out of question at the half," said Osborne. "I've never considered trying to score an extra touchdown in the first half as an attempt to run up the score. I know one thing: That 31 looked a lot better to me than 28.

"At that point, I didn't think they were going to beat us. But I didn't want to get into

Redwine, right, who had 120 yards on 16 carries, pushes away New Mexico State cornerback Michael Armand (3) en route to another big gainer.

Ted Kirk photo

a situation, either, of having to put the first team back in after they had kind of got out of the motion of the game."

The second half seemed to last an eternity — and must have seemed at least twice that long to New Mexico State.

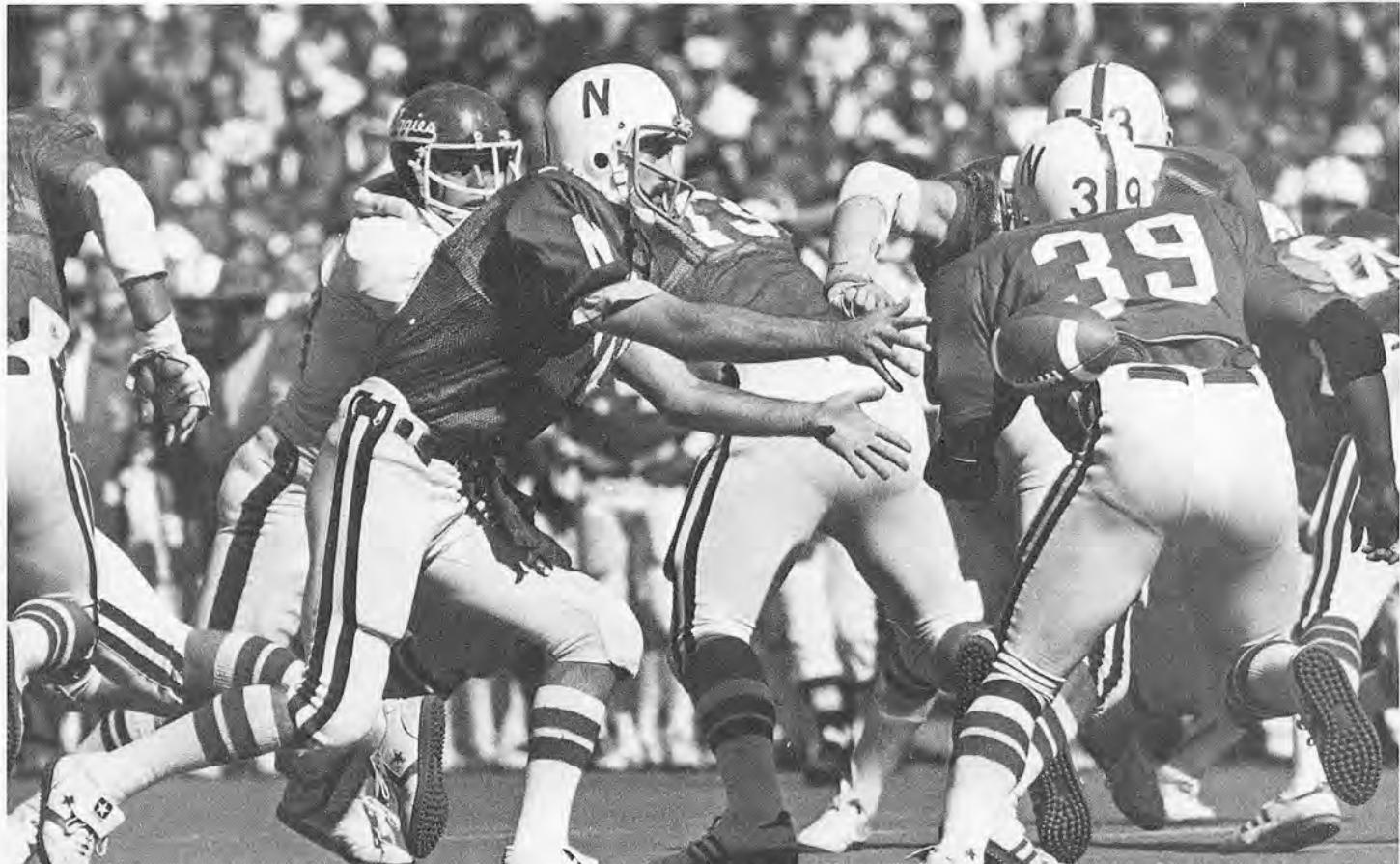
Jeff Quinn directed an 83-yard drive to start the third quarter, Johnson scoring from the one. Quinn completed a couple of 19-yard passes during the possession to Jeff Finn and Steve Davies.

Dave Liegl started another touchdown with a 21-yard punt return to the Aggies' 28. The touchdown was scored in only three plays. Johnson gained nine, Jim Kotera 18 on a thunderous bolt up the middle and Quinn scored from the one.

Tim Bergkamp, a junior from Pretty Prairie, Kansas, missed both extra-point kicks in the third quarter, but freshman Kevin Seibel connected on the last two.

Those touchdowns were scored on a 13-yard pass from Mauer to Scott Woodard and Johnson's 11-yard slash up the middle. There was no scoring in the last 12 minutes of the game.

"It was just like the fans expected," said



Nebraska quarterback Tim Hager was hardly touched during his 1½ quarters of work. Hager pitches to the trailing I-back while Andra Franklin (39) moves toward throwing the lead block.

Ted Kirk photo



Johnson, the 194-pound junior from Omaha. "A lot of people will say we should have won this easily. And it's true, we should have."

"But I thought we showed we were ready to play. The thing is, every team is capable of beating you — just because they're out there."

Although the game wasn't much, the Cornhusker faithful did receive its first look at some of the freshmen. Eight suited up and all played.

Roger Craig, an I-back from Davenport, Iowa, enjoyed his first varsity action and very nearly scored on his first varsity play. Craig entered the game during Nebraska's last touchdown drive and his number was called immediately.

From the Aggies' 21, the 198-pound freshman popped through the right side and flashed 10 yards to the 11. Craig, however, might have scored if he had run straight ahead instead of cutting toward the sideline after bursting into the secondary.

"Yeah, I thought he might have, too," said Osborne, who was particularly pleased that so many players saw action.

"A game like this is a great morale-builder for the squad," he said. "It's a lot more fun to play in front of 76,000 people than it is to practice every day."

You might have fooled those 76,000 last Saturday, though. It looked like practice to them. ■



Hager (10) performs his ball-handling wizardry in solitude as the NU offensive linemen controlled the line of scrimmage.

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The Coaches Say:



TOM OSBORNE,
Nebraska

About the 15-yard penalty assessed against his team because the band show ran too long:

"As it turned out, it didn't matter. But I'd sure hate to have something like that happen when we were playing Oklahoma."

About preparing to play New Mexico State:

"I don't think our players were overly enthusiastic about this game. But they came out and gave a good performance. The thing I was worried about was playing sloppily. And I don't think that happened."

About an early assessment of his team:

"I don't know, but I think we're a pretty doggone good football team."

GIL KRUEGER,
New Mexico State

About his feelings on the contest:

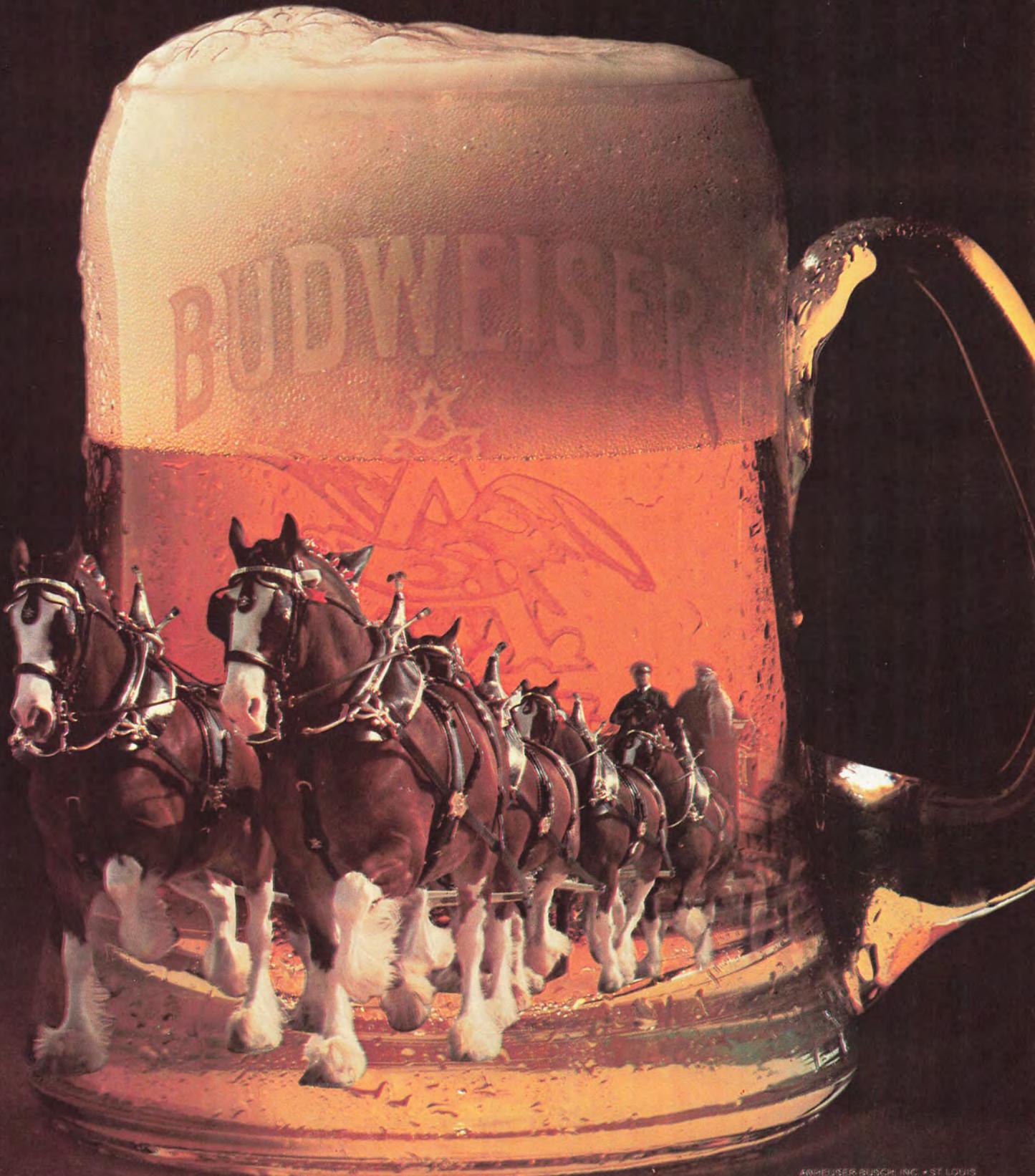
"We were overmatched, no question. But not in heart. Our kids hit pretty good. We made them fumble four or five times. I was proud of our kids in the second half. We hung in there and held our own."

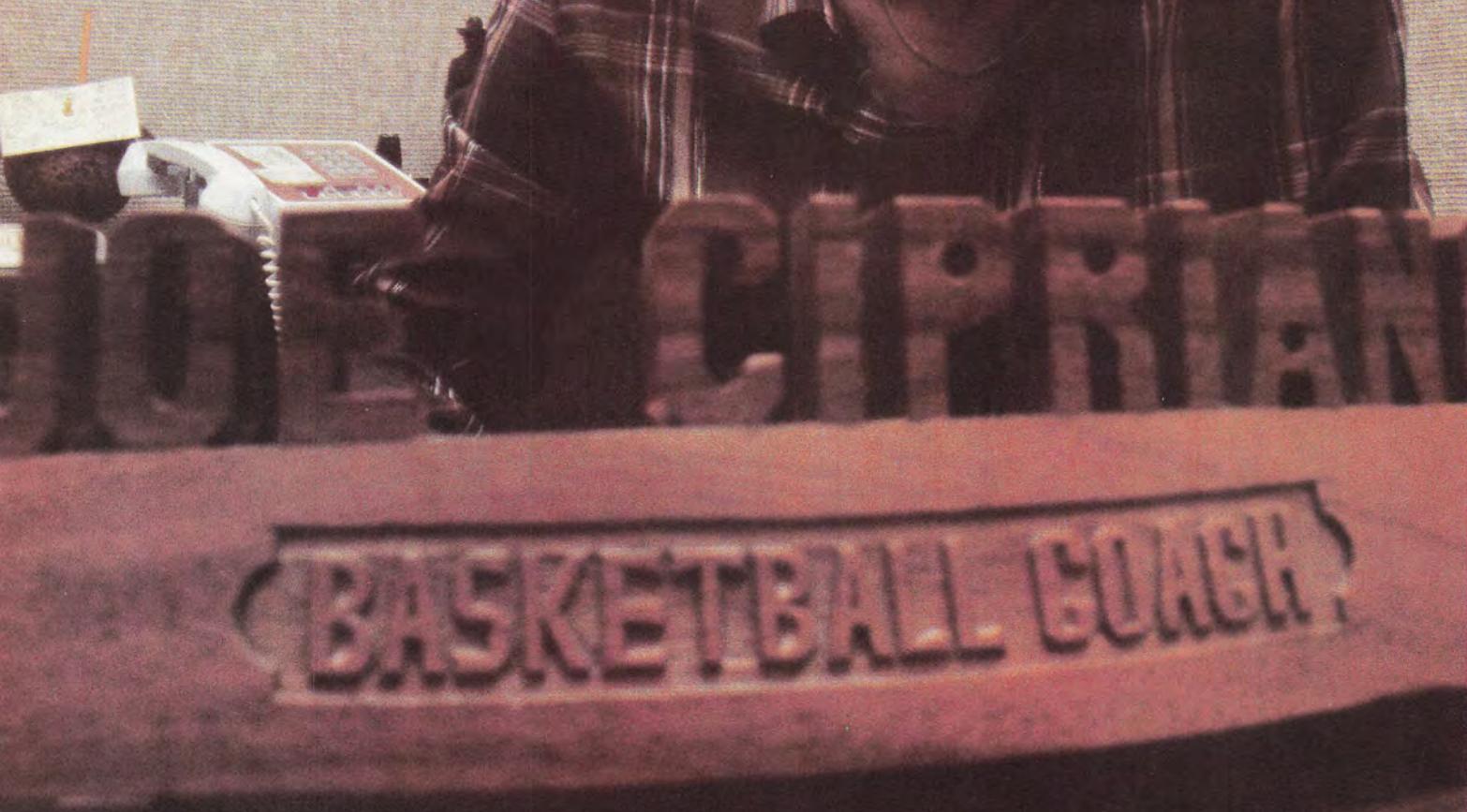
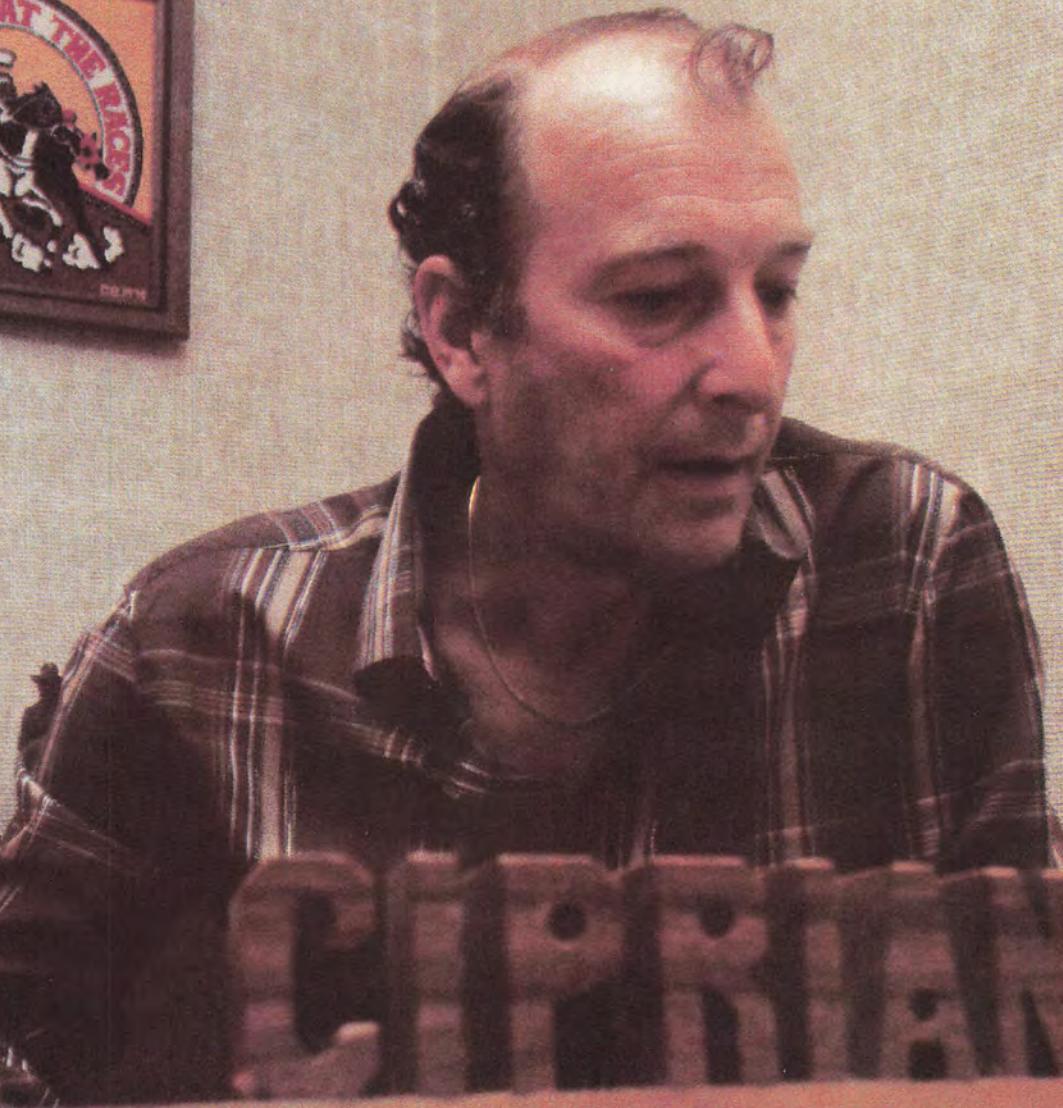
"They know they're going to be better football players and they learned a lot today. It was a heck of an experience. It boosted their morale that they could play with some of the people on their schedule later on."

About his thoughts on Nebraska:

"Nebraska is a great team and belongs up there in the top five in the ratings. They are not only big, they are fast. We couldn't get outside. They really contained us."

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If the Shoe Fits . . .

by Charlie Smith

There is a painting of a basketball sneaker which hangs from the wall in Joe Cipriano's office. It's a simple work of art. Nothing but a shoe.

But what a shoe! It measures about five feet wide by two feet high. If Cipriano ever finds a player who can wear that shoe, it'll be all over for everybody else in the Big Eight.

Unfortunately for Cip and assistants Moe Iba and Tom Baack, there is no one who comes close to filling that shoe for the red and white this winter.

Cipriano probably will wind up with Andre Smith, a very capable 6-7 junior basketball player, as his center. But no matter how capable Smith is, 6-7 still is a small center. There are possibilities on the immediate horizon, though. First is 7-foot Dave MacFarlane, the first-ever 84-incher in Cornhusker basketball history. And second is 6-10 Lance Berwald.

Both are freshmen. And, quite obviously, both are projects. MacFarlane is a product of Plattsburgh, New York, while Berwald is from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

"You have to look at our club in terms of a rebuilding year," shrugs Cipriano. "This is a cycle program and now it's time to start over again."

The end of the last cycle wasn't all that pleasant, although four seniors were supposed to make last year's team a good one. Instead of living up to the 22-8 promise of their junior seasons, though, the club finished 14-13 and fifth in the Big Eight.

"It was a disappointing year because we didn't win more games," says Joe. "And we ended up not playing as a team. We ended up tolerating more than coaching.

"It was especially frustrating because it was basically the same group that won 22 games the year before. But it was a group that played with complacency."

But that was last year. And as bitter as some of the season-ending events were,

there always is renewed enthusiasm and renewed hope. And all of that will begin next Monday when Cipriano welcomes back the 17th team in his coaching career at the University of Nebraska.

The Huskers will work for six weeks before opening against Windsor, Ontario, on the same night after the football team has closed at Oklahoma. Nebraska has some December non-conference foes who should not be considered much more than full-dress workouts (i.e., South Dakota State, Portland State, Wisconsin-Oshkosh, Angelo State).

But the non-conference schedule is not all patsies. Nebraska will have all it can handle against Creighton, Purdue, Minnesota and whatever the draw is in the Hawaii Classic.

In the Big Eight, of course, the Huskers can expect to be placed among the second division in pre-season estimates. Certainly, they won't be ranked above Missouri, Oklahoma, Kansas or Kansas State.

But Cipriano's teams often have played better when they were in their younger stages. Maybe the simple fact is he motivates younger players more than he does upperclassmen.

"There's just no way I can tell what we can expect as far as the season goes," he says. "Obviously, we have a lot of young people. And you've got to be realistic about freshmen. There have been a lot of kids with great credentials out of high school who don't measure up at the college level. And it takes some of 'em some time to come along, too."

One thing Cip and his staff have going for them is the incoming group of new players.

The best very well could be Eric Williams, a 6-2 guard from South Bend, Indiana. Nebraska coaches saw him play 14 games in high school. So he is no stranger.

Cipriano is aware that he probably could not have landed Williams if a Big Ten school had been interested. But, in some cases, by the time the Big Ten school became interested, Nebraska had made sufficient inroads to ward off the threat.

And Williams was a forward in high

Joe Cipriano faces a rebuilding task with the loss of four seniors who enjoyed fine junior seasons, then played with "complacency" in their final year.

Ted Kirk photo

school, too. That had to scare off some recruiters.

"He has excellent speed," says Cipriano. "He's a good ball-handler and an aggressive defensive player. He can handle the ball on the break."

Another who is going to make a great contribution if the Cornhuskers improve this winter will be Greg Downing, another 6-2 freshman guard from Duluth, Minnesota.

"He's more of a leader type," says Cipriano. "And he can shoot off the break."

Inside, of course, Smith will be the Huskers' force. He will have to use his strength and quickness to make up for lack of height if he has to play the post, though.

And returning starter Mike Naderer, a Scottsdale, Arizona, product, should be a steady influence. Naderer, unfortunately, is another guard, even shorter than Williams and Downing at 6-0.

Taking up the forward slack — and this may be where Nebraska is most vulnerable — will be junior college transfer Tim West, a 6-4 player from State Fair Community College in Sedalia, Missouri.

"We are overly pleased with our crop of freshmen," says Cipriano. "If we lack anything, it's forwards. It was just sort of a combined effort. Tom Baack did an excellent job and so did Rod Stewart (graduate assistant). And then Moe went and found Tim West."

How well Nebraska progresses probably will depend in large degree on how quickly the 7-foot MacFarlane and/or the 6-10 Berwald develop. If either can become a starter, thereby allowing Smith to maneuver from the strong forward position, the Huskers will take on a suddenly stronger look.

Nebraska has endured its share of ups and downs with Cipriano, something everyone in Lincoln is aware of, including athletic director Bob Devaney.

"We've done reasonably well in basketball," says Devaney. "The problem is we haven't won a championship. But now, with the new facility, we should win one sometime in the near future."

"The new arena does create the atmos-

FUTURE HUSKER FOOTBALL SCHEDULES

1980

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 20 — Iowa
 27 — at Penn State
 Oct. 4 — Florida State
 11 — at Kansas
 18 — Oklahoma State
 25 — at Colorado
 Nov. 1 — Missouri
 8 — Kansas State
 15 — at Iowa State
 22 — Oklahoma

1981

Sept. 12 — at Iowa
 19 — Florida State
 26 — Penn State
 Oct. 3 — Auburn
 10 — Colorado
 17 — at Kansas State
 24 — at Missouri
 31 — Kansas
 Nov. 7 — at Oklahoma State
 14 — Iowa State

21 — at Oklahoma

1982

Sept. 11 — Iowa
 18 — New Mexico State
 25 — at Penn State
 Oct. 2 — at Auburn
 9 — at Colorado
 16 — Kansas State
 23 — Missouri
 30 — at Kansas
 Nov. 6 — Oklahoma State
 13 — at Iowa State
 20 — Oklahoma

1983

Sept. 10 — Wyoming
 17 — at Minnesota
 24 — UCLA
 Oct. 1 — Syracuse
 8 — at Oklahoma State
 15 — at Missouri
 22 — Colorado
 29 — at Kansas State

Nov. 5 — Iowa State
 12 — Kansas
 19 — at Oklahoma

1984

Sept. 8 — Wyoming
 15 — Minnesota
 22 — at UCLA
 29 — at Syracuse
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 13 — Missouri
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Certainly, the Huskers appeared poised to make a big breakthrough a year ago after the 22-8 campaign of 1977-78. Returning were such luminaries as Carl McPipe and Brian Banks and solid performers like Bob Moore and Curt Hedberg. But very little went right from the beginning.

Even before the conference season began, losses were absorbed from Purdue, Creighton, Mississippi and Nevada-Las Vegas. The club started well in the conference race, however, after finishing third in the Big Eight Holiday tournament.

The Huskers opened with a 4-2 stretch before suffering a 66-57 setback at Oklahoma State. A little more than a week later, Iowa State delivered the coup de grace, a 48-46 blow in Bob Devaney Sports Center. That was Nebraska's lone conference loss at home — just as the conference-opening 72-68 triumph at Iowa State was the Cornhuskers' lone victory on the road.

A 6-1 home record, offset by a 1-6 road mark, does not a championship contender make.

Cipriano has taken his lumps before, though, and pulled himself off the canvas. And, speaking of canvas, what about that giant sneaker that adorns the wall in his office?

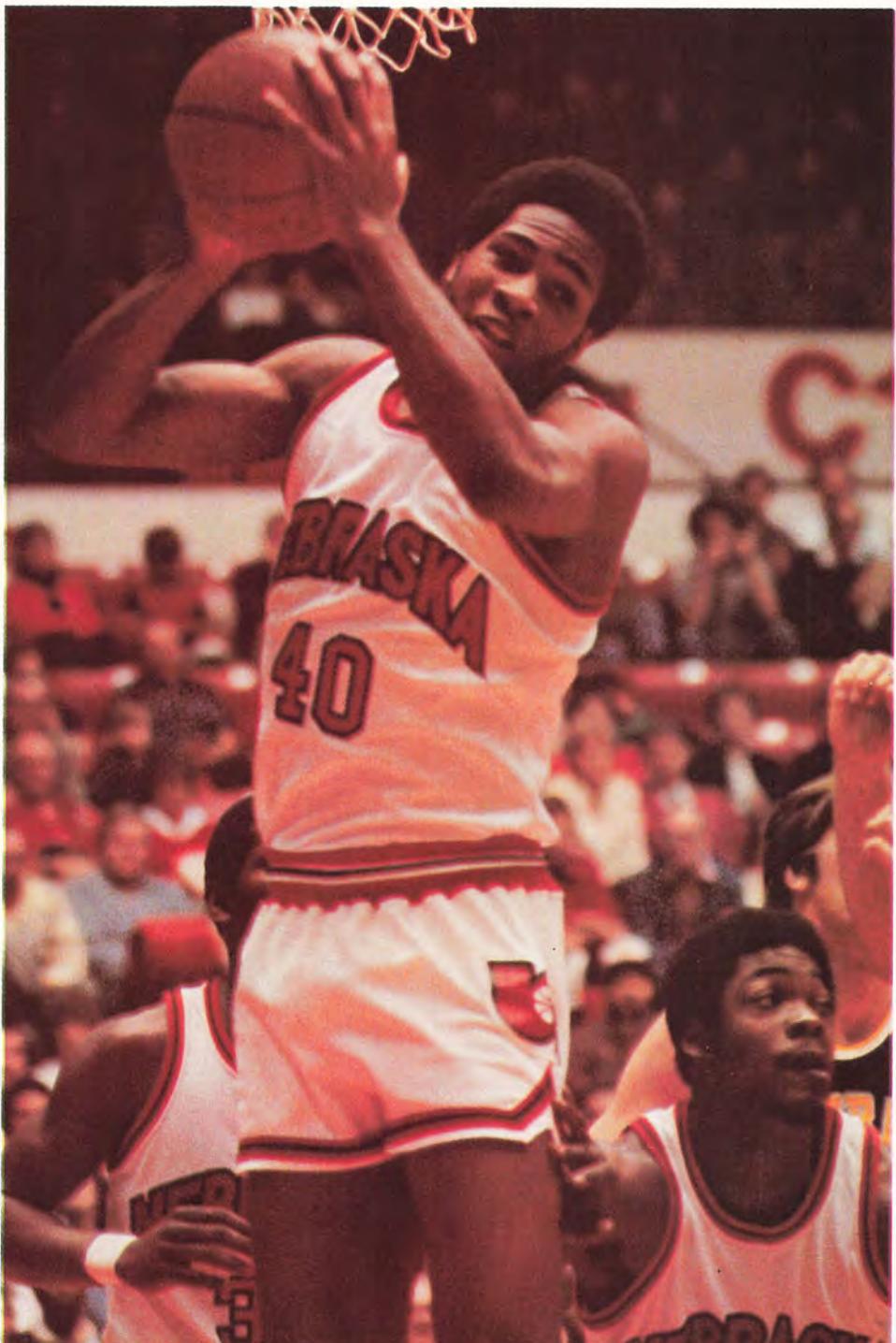
"They just called me about that one day over at the Sheldon Art Gallery," he says. "They said they had something I might want to take a look at. I went over.

"The guy over there said the guy who was wearing that shoe is up in the mountains. I told him I'd send my recruiters after him."

If Joe ever finds that guy, Nebraska basketball detractors are going to have a lot of crow to eat. **N**

Much of this year's Nebraska punch will have to come from Andre Smith, a 6-7 junior who could be an exceptional power forward but who may have to play center — in the early stages, at least.

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BELL-RINGER

There are quarterback sacks and then there are quarterback sacks. This is one of the more classic instances.

Terry Rubley, Iowa State quarterback, feels the full wrath of an on-charging All-Big Eight defensive tackle Rod Horn of Nebraska.

Sometimes quarterbacks only take a glancing blow or slip to the turf after absorbing a hit on a sack. But Rubley doesn't even have the pleasure of knowing he didn't accept the full force of the blow on this one. Like a home run in baseball, Horn got all of him on this play.





JEFF QUINN, TIM HAGER

There Was One . . . And Then Two

by Randy York

In the beginning, the proposition was a simple one. There was Jeff Quinn and there was Tim Hager. And, as far as the Nebraska coaching staff or anyone else was concerned, the gap was as enormous as the difference between the football programs at Ohio State and Northwestern.

And that's exactly the way the 1979 season began.

Quinn, the 6-2, 204-pound junior from Ord, Nebraska, was the Cornhuskers' number one quarterback through spring drills and fall practice. And he started Game One and was impressive in the 35-14 victory over Utah State, becoming the first NU quarterback in recent history to run for more than 100 yards in a single game. (He had 112 yards on 19 carries).

But then, during the week before the Iowa game, Quinn suffered a slight pull in

most part.

Hager, making his first start ever, completed 14 of 22 passes for 215 yards. He was the eye of the hurricane in the second quarter when the Cornhuskers exploded for four touchdowns en route to a 42-17 burial of the Nittany Lions.

Suddenly, Nebraska's quarterback situation, which had begun so clearly marked, was muddled.

"I have a lot of confidence in both of them," says Osborne. "We're just going to play it by ear. Frankly, I don't know if Hager did anything (against Penn State) that Quinn couldn't have done. We'll play 'em both."

He indicated he would stick with Hager as his starter against New Mexico State, but also take a long look at Quinn, too. Hence, Nebraska very well could be

more polished.

If you think anything has been easy for Tim, though, guess again.

He was Tom Sorley's backup a year ago and played only enough to throw 16 passes. And, instead of assuming the reins in spring practice, he more or less fell by the wayside.

He spent the spring as Nebraska's fifth-string quarterback.

"It just seemed like every time I turned around I was in the wrong place at the wrong time," he says. "I was always throwing an interception, making a bad pitch . . . I just dug my own hole a little deeper."

"I lost a little confidence, a little poise. But I knew I was a heckuva lot better than that."

One of Hager's spring problems was that he kept trying to play with an assortment of bumps and bruises. There was nothing damaging enough to keep him out of action, but there was a collection of ailments.

Hager, though, didn't waste any time taking over the runnerup quarterback spot once fall drills began. And he's certainly not backing away from the possibility of being or sharing number one duties the rest of 1979.

"I hope that's what happens," says the 6-1, 175-pounder. "I'm pretty excited about it."

"But at the beginning, it was Jeff number one and then everyone else. There was no double-entry at all."

So, if the situation develops that Nebraska's quarterback position requires tandem duty this fall, everyone can look back to the week before the Iowa game and what happened during that contest.

Osborne, like the rest of the coaching staff, is ultra-high on Quinn's potential.

"Jeff could be a very, very good quarterback," assesses Osborne. "Conceivably, he could be one of the best quarterbacks

"We're just going to play it by ear."

— Tom Osborne

his left leg during practice. In the first half at Iowa City, though, he also suffered a twisted right ankle. And, too, there was the business of Iowa building a 21-7 lead with five minutes to play in the third quarter.

Enter Hager.

If there's ever been a Horatio Alger on the football field, Tim must be his clone. Hager is a fifth-year senior from Lincoln, who originally came out for football as a walk-on.

Well, all he did on that memorable day in Iowa City was take the Cornhuskers to three straight scores and a 24-21 verdict.

And then came Penn State. And Tom Osborne is the kind of coach who believes in rewarding a hot hand. Well, Hager received his chance, although Quinn's ailments apparently had cleared up for the

headed toward a two-quarterback system this year.

That hasn't happened too often. But Jerry Tagge and Van Brownson did split duty one year before Tagge emerged. And the same was true during one period between David Humm and Steve Runty.

Osborne has treated the situation as a bonus so far. He seems intent upon not letting it build into a negative circumstance.

"We're going to have to have both of those guys to get done what we need to get done," he says. "I think a great deal of both of 'em. They're both very good players."

If you were analyzing the two, the first realization is that Quinn is much the better physical specimen. He looks the part. Hager, on the other hand, is perhaps a little

we've ever had here."

Such a statement must seem unbelievable to those who followed Quinn's freshman season. Osborne and Quinn agree that was a year more disappointing than a fizzling Roman candle at a Fourth of July picnic.

"Watching him run the wishbone on film," Osborne recalls, "we thought Jeff was as good a quarterback prospect as there was in the country." He had the size, the speed and the arm. He was such a good athlete, we thought he could play monster or tight end, if things didn't work out at quarterback."

They almost never did either. Instead of passing a ball all summer and playing in the Shrine Bowl football game, Quinn shot baskets and played in the high school all-star basketball game.

"I didn't get mad at him because he did it as a personal favor to his high school coach," Osborne says. "But it really put him in a tough spot. He came here not prepared to play major college football and he fell behind in a hurry."

Quinn, indeed, played his entire freshman season behind Brad Humphrey, who later transferred to Baylor, and Ricky Hatcher, a walk-on from Florida who walked off shortly thereafter.

"I'd like to forget that freshman season as much as possible," Quinn says. "I kind of went through the motions. I was your typical small-town kid who didn't adjust to the big city or big-time football."

Quinn was aware of Osborne's expectations. "He offered me a scholarship December 4 — before our first basketball game against Crete," Jeff recalls. "He told me I'd looked as good as anyone on film."

After the bottom dropped out his freshman season, Quinn made a decision. "I told myself 'I must be better than this' and it was time to go to work and prove it."

By the next spring, Quinn had worked himself into the picture with Randy Garcia, Sorley, Ed Burns and Hager. "Looking back," Quinn says, "that spring could have been disastrous for me. If I hadn't changed my attitude and improved so much, I don't know what I'd be doing now. Humphrey went to Baylor. I could have been in the same boat, easily."

Ironically, the Baylor game in '77 sent Quinn into another tailspin. He broke his leg on his only carry against the Bears, but received a hardship ruling and redshirted.

Quinn's sophomore year was spent be-

hind Sorley and Hager. He did rush for 202 yards on only 28 carries (a 7.2 average), but mostly last year was a case of Jeff Quinn listening and learning.

"Tom Sorley might have helped me persevere more than anybody else on campus," Quinn says. "That's what's so good about this football program. People who are ahead of you help you. You can talk all you want about Nebraska talent, but

one of the biggest assets we have going is teamwork. That's why morale is so good. A third and fourth-stringer still feels part of it all."

Although Quinn hardly ranks as a finished product, he appears to be a quarterback meshed well with the times.

"If you notice, most of the good pro teams have a quarterback who can run a little bit and throw," Osborne says. "We



Gazing down the line while barking signals, Tim Hager, right, doesn't have many peers at his forte, ball-handling. He says it's a talent that makes other skills appear sharper.

Ted Kirk photo

knew Jeff could run, but like all small-town athletes, you didn't know how well he could throw. He'd pick up a football in August and put it down in November. Nowadays, you have to throw the ball nine or 10 months a year."

Quinn knew that and has worked on his passing with the fervor of an evangelist since falling behind his freshman season.

"Since I've been here," defensive coordinator Lance Van Zandt says, "I think Jeff Quinn has improved as much or more than anybody on this whole football team. Two

lean toward running the football, Hager's do not. He is not a great runner and he hardly can be labeled a great passer either, although some may take exception to that after a couple of his on-the-money tosses in the Penn State bombardment.

What Hager does especially well is handle the football. He's not a bad runner or passer, but he thrives on freezing linebackers and cornerbacks with his fakes.

"Sure, handling the ball well can make you look better than you really are," admits the mustachioed senior. "That can give

er brothers, Gary and Mike.

"I don't know how exciting that might have been for other people," says Tim. "But it was real exciting for me because I was sharing my excitement with the people who mean the most to me."

The thing for Nebraska quarterbacks, either one, to remember is the load can be spread reasonably thin on this team. It's not every quarterback who can look around and see the likes of I. M. Hipp, Jarvis Redwine, Andra Franklin, Kenny Brown, Tim Smith and Junior Miller surrounding



Quinn, whose forte is running the option, follows the lead of Andra Franklin's (39) block while Utah State's Elwood Threlfall (53) pursues.

Ted Kirk photo

years ago, he'd go one way and the ball would go the other. But he's really learned to take care of the ball in heavy traffic. And has he ever improved throwing the football!"

"Jeff has the mobility to make things happen," Osborne said. "Sorley had a little more mobility than either Ferragamo or Humm and Quinn has more mobility than Sorley. Having a running quarterback really adds a dimension, even in pro football where there are no options."

While Quinn's talents quite obviously

you more time to do more things."

When Quinn was the hero after the Utah State game, his parents and two sisters waited — he was the last player out of the dressing room — and whooped it up over dinner at the Legionnaire Club.

"We were all pretty emotional," recalls Quinn.

And the same was true for Hager after the Penn State victory.

He and his girl friend, Sue Wehrle, celebrated with dinner at the home of Hager's parents in Lincoln, along with Tim's young-

him.

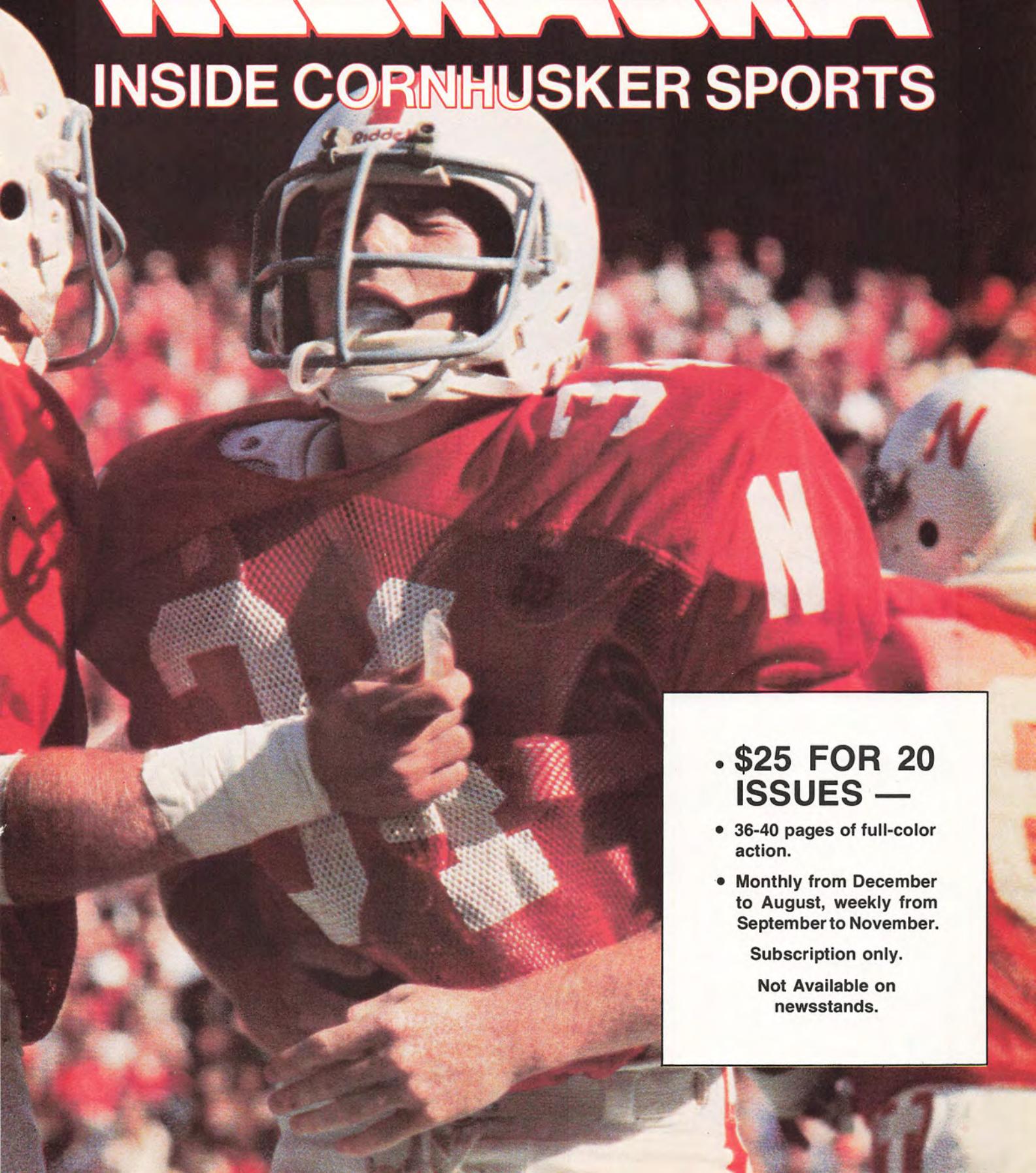
Hager remembers leaving Memorial Stadium the Friday night before the Penn State game and feeling the weight of the world suddenly pressing down on his shoulders. And it was at just that moment that Jim Ross, an assistant athletic director who was an assistant coach for both Bob Devaney and Osborne, spoke to him.

"Hey, don't worry," said Ross. "You can't do it all by yourself."

The next day, Hager discovered the truth of that statement. ■

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SCOUTING REPORT

Kansas Jayhawks



by Ellen Parker

The only good thing about the Jayhawks' abysmal 1-10 record for the 1978 season is they can't do much worse this year.

At the end of last football season, KU administrators decided — not surprisingly — they'd rather not give Bud Moore, Jayhawk coach for the previous four years, another crack at it. Instead, they've entrusted Don Fambrough with the unenviable task of rebuilding the Kansas squad.

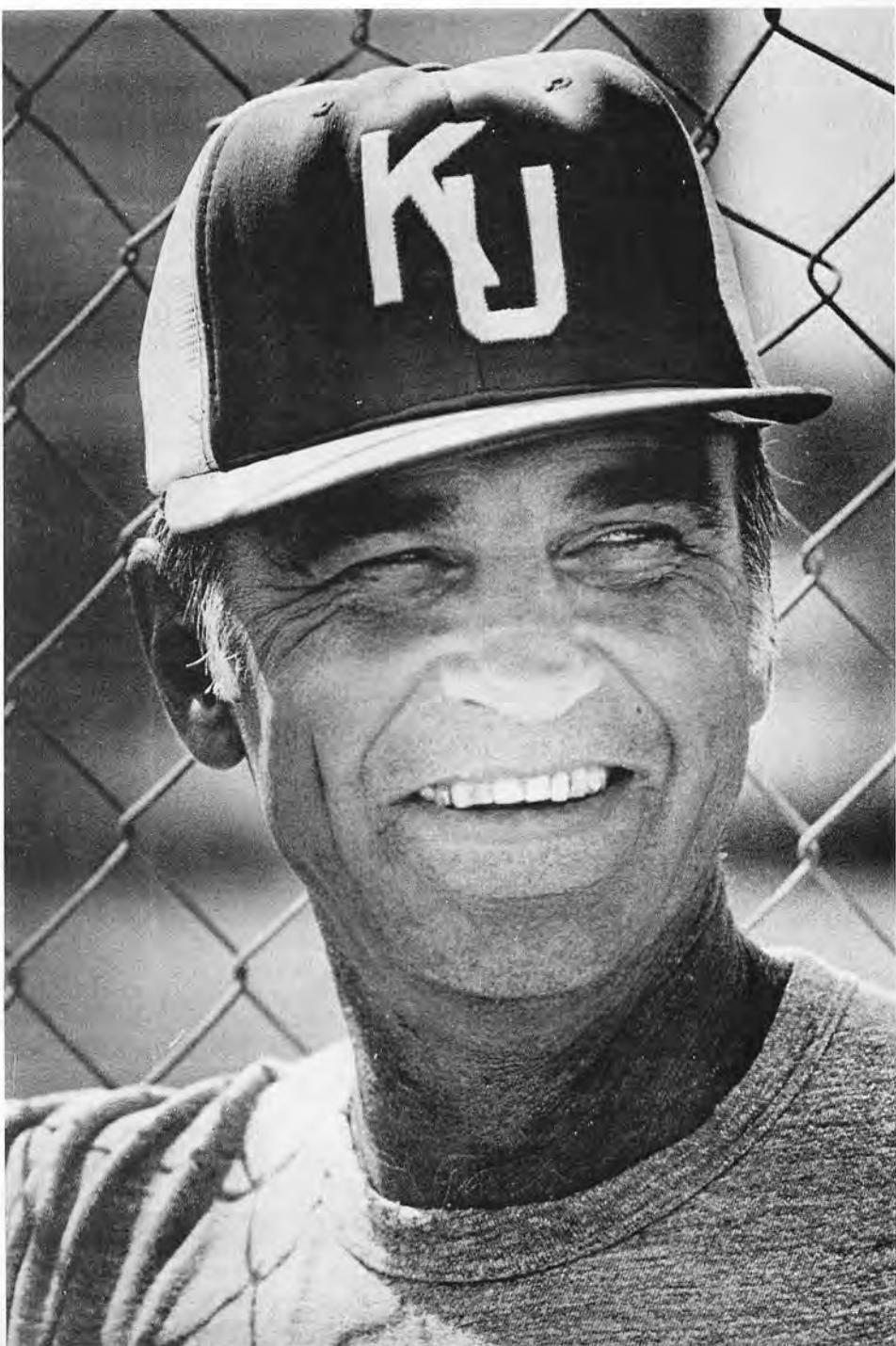
Fambrough is no stranger to Jayhawk turf; he piloted the team from 1971 through 1974. Bob Marcum, KU athletic director, is quick to point out that Fambrough took the 7-4-1 Hawks to the 1973 Liberty Bowl. Marcum, no doubt, hopes his new coach can pull off a similar feat — certainly not this year, but in future seasons.

Fambrough is elated with his resurrection. "I feel a little like Rip Van Winkle," he says. "It's just as if I've been asleep for four years."

Fambrough is awakening, however, to a nightmarish schedule. The Jayhawks were scheduled for road trips to Pittsburgh, Michigan, Oklahoma and Nebraska — a schedule rated by numerous sports publications as the nation's toughest.

The reborn coach isn't running scared, though. In fact, he's facing this season with a fair share of optimism. The KU brass and Jayhawk fans are behind Fambrough. "We had tremendous alumni meetings this summer throughout the state. The KU people are excited and I'm excited. There are just too many positive things for us eventually not to be successful," spouts Fambrough.

What are these "positive things" Fambrough believes will pull the Jayhawks out of the Big Eight cellar? For starters, he's working with an experienced team: 49 re-



Don Fambrough watched from within the Kansas athletic department for four years while the Bud Moore regime flopped. And now Fambrough has returned for another tenure as the Jayhawks' head football coach.

turning letterman, eight starters back on offense and nine returning defensive starters. Be warned, however, that these are the same players who wound up swinging gently in the breeze on the end of a 1-10 rope a season ago.

Then there's Kevin Clinton. Clinton is a talented quarterback with a powerful throwing arm, perhaps reason enough for Fambrough's verve. But Clinton is a fledgling; this fall he began his sophomore year. He's the Hawks' quarterback, now and for the future. He was shaky early in the season, especially against the likes of Pittsburgh and Michigan.

More on the plus side: An able defense anchored by a phalanx of tough, experienced linebackers. Perhaps the brightest spot in the entire lineup, though, is punter-kicker Mike Hubach, one of the nation's best combination kickers.

Is all this reason enough for Fambrough's zeal? Let's take a look:

OFFENSE

LINE — Coach Fambrough is concerned about lack of depth and maturity here; "game experience is going to be the only real solution," he says. The line does indeed seem rather unripe — graduation took three offensive starters. But starting tackles Mike Gay and Bob Whitten are back, along with their backups, Dave Fletcher and John McCray. The Hawks are counting on Bob Fiss to provide stability at center, and Fambrough thinks Jim Ragsdale is the best man for the left guard slot.

RECEIVERS — Things look rosier in the receiver department. Everybody's back from last year, including split end Kevin Murphy, who grabbed 20 for 346 yards last year as a freshman, the team's top mark. Murphy performed well in the Kansas-Pittsburgh match: he pulled down five passes for 64 yards. Wingback Jimmy Little and tight end Lloyd Sobek also have given good showings.

QUARTERBACK — Kevin Clinton is the new darling of the Jayhawks. He has a strong, accurate right arm and he reminds everyone in Lawrence of David Jaynes, the All-America who led the 1973 team to the Liberty Bowl. Clinton had a commendable outing against Pittsburgh, only to falter against Michigan and the menacing Curtis Greer. Fambrough isn't worried, though. He thinks Clinton is coming along nicely under the tutelage of quarterback coach John Hadl, a one-time star KU passer himself. Clinton is backed up by Brian Bethke, who like Clinton performs particularly well against Nebraska.

RUNNING BACKS — This area is the Jayhawks' fatal flaw. In their first two games this fall, the Hawks rushed for a total of eight yards. Compare that number with



Scellars Young (52), 215-pound junior from St. Louis, ranks as one of the Big Eight's premier linebackers.

the current rushing statistics of I. M. Hipp alone and you'll understand the KU coaches have taken to chewing their fingernails in anticipation of the Nebraska game. Harry Sydney has shown promise, but he's new at the job (last year he played quarterback). The Hawks are relying on their top 1978 rusher, Mike Higgins, and junior college transfer Larry Kemp to start picking up steam.

OVERALL — Fambrough hopes the Jayhawks' feeble rushing game will improve. In the meantime, though, he's pinning his expectations on the arm of Clinton and a corps of competent receivers.

"We're going to throw the ball," says Fambrough. "It's the kind of offense that best suits our personnel." No argument there.

DEFENSE

LINE — Charles Casey anchors the Jayhawks' front three; his quickness and size are significant assets to the line. James Jackson's strong spring practice won him a starting berth at right tackle. If he can avoid injury, he'll figure mightily in the Hawks' ability to halt the opposition at the line of scrimmage.

Jim Radcliffe is the favorite for nose guard, surprising everyone with an excellent spring. He's backed up by last year's starter Joe McCraney and junior-college transfer Stan Gardner.

LINEBACKERS — Fambrough likes the looks of his linebacking staff. It's an experienced unit, one which includes five former starters. Workhorse Monty Carbonell is a two-year starter at right inside linebacker with 221 career tackles. Scellars Young plays left inside linebacker with authority; he made a bruising 111 tackles last year alone.

Sturdy Jim Zidd, 1978 second-team all-conference selection, and Kirby Criswell, switching to linebacker after two years at tight end, are the two best bets for the outside linebacking spots. Quarterbacks beware: Zidd led the team with 19 sacks for 104 yards last year. On the left side, the 6-6 Criswell gives the Jayhawks some much needed height along the front wall.

SECONDARY — The secondary is also packed with veterans, but the standout is safety LeRoy Irvin. Irvin, a second-team all-conference pick a year ago, is shooting not only for first-team honors this year, but

also for the all-time Jayhawk tackling record. In the Jayhawks' 28-7 loss to Michigan, the versatile Irvin scored the lone Kansas touchdown with a 60-yard punt return. Returning lettermen Delvin Miller and Bobby Barrow man the cornerback posts.

OVERALL — Due to the inability of the offense to maintain ball control, the embattled Kansas defense has spent much time on the field this season. But the Jayhawks' defensive depth should benefit the Kansans as the Big Eight season gets underway. Coach Fambrough, delighted with what he saw in spring practice, commented that the Jayhawks have "two solid defensive units. I don't see much difference between the first and second units."

KICKING

Returning senior Mike Hubach handles both the punting and place-kicking chores. "I probably feel better about our kicking game than any other aspect," Fambrough says. All-conference a year ago, Hubach entered the season with a 40.5 career punting average.

SERIES

The Jayhawks have taken on Nebraska 85 times since their first meeting in 1892. KU has won only 21 of those games, and only a few of those wins have been collected since 1950. In fact, the Hawks haven't beaten the Huskers since 1968. Last year Nebraska plucked the Jayhawks 63-21.

INJURIES

None. Clinton did suffer a lower back injury two games ago, but was able to play against Syracuse.

RECORD

The Jayhawks were overmatched in season-opening losses against Pittsburgh (0-24) and Michigan (7-28), but scored a 37-18 victory in their home opener against North Texas State.

Syracuse turned renewed hopes to ashes last week, however, running away with a 45-27 verdict. KU started that contest with a 21-7 lead, but was wiped out in the second half.

Joe Morris, a 5-7, 177-pound burner, ran for 252 yards and three touchdowns.

"The second half was embarrassing," said Fambrough. "I don't know what happened. I wish I knew. It was unreal the way they ripped us up the middle."

Kansas opened with Brian Bethke at quarterback and he completed 11 of 22 for 124 yards. The Jayhawks, however, could not keep the football away from the Orangemen — and they paid the price.

"In the second half," said Fambrough, "they were doing anything they wanted — running inside, running outside and throwing." **N**

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	NU	KU	FUMBLES/LOST	15/13	15/5
1979 Record to Date	4-0	1-3			
Returning Starters	12	17			
1978 Overall Record	9-3	1-10			
TEAM OFFENSE			PENALTIES/YARDS	17/179	17/165
Rushes attempted	262	165			
Yards gained	1443	673			
Yards lost	70	151			
Net yards gained	1373	522			
Avg. gain per rush	5.2	3.2	INDIVIDUAL OFFENSE		
Touchdowns	16	6	Rushing	No.	Avg.
			(NU) Redwine	60	7.1
			(NU) Hipp	54	5.4
			(KU) Mack	50	3.6
			(KU) Sydney	44	4.0
Passes attempted	66	129	Passing	PA	TD
Passes completed	38	64	(NU) Hager	28	3
Passes intercepted	2	5	(NU) Quinn	36	1
Percentage	.576	.496	(KU) Clinton	84	265
Total Yards	561	719	(KU) Bethke	34	0
Touchdowns	5	2		20	367
Passes caught	38	64		0	1
Total yards	561	719	Receiving	No.	Avg.
Avg. gain per catch	14.8	11.2	(NU) Miller	8	26.0
Touchdowns	5	2	(NU) Smith	11	15.0
			(KU) Murphy	11	0
			(KU) Verser	10	17.5
TEAM DEFENSE					
Rushes attempted	144	206	INDIVIDUAL DEFENSE		
Yards gained	482	990	Tackles	Solo	Assisted
Yards lost	133	124	(NU) Baker	30	21
Net yards gained	349	866	(NU) Williams	28	15
Avg. gain per rush	2.4	4.2	(KU) — na		
Touchdowns	3	7			
Passes attempted	102	115	Interceptions		
Passes completed	47	59	(NU) LeRoy	2	
Passes intercepted	2	6	(KU) Irvin	2	
Percentage	.461	.513	(KU) Wattelet	2	
Total yards	564	914			
Touchdowns	3	7			
PUNTING					
Number	12	29	Fumble Recoveries		
Yards	515	1165	(KU) Nelson	2	
Avg.	42.9	40.2	(KU) — na		
Longest	53	72	na — not available.		

1964 ORANGE BOWL

Melton's Snow Tires Help Ease Tension

by Steve Pederson



The victory over Oklahoma in the last game of the season was the climax of the 1963 season, but the trip to the 1964 Orange Bowl was a substantial reward for the end of a great season.

The Huskers beat Auburn 13-7 in the gala Orange Bowl event; but the score is not the story. The Huskers are the story so let's go INSIDE CORNHUSKER SPORTS.

The Bob Devaney Era, as we know it, just had begun and the Huskers were flying high after their 36-34 victory over Miami in the 1962 Gotham Bowl.

"Those kids really wanted to play in a bowl game at the end of the 1962 season," recalls Devaney. "In fact, the coaching staff really tried to talk them out of going to New York. We knew the conditions were bad and we knew about the newspaper strike, but we left it up to the kids. We left the room for the team to vote and in about a minute they had voted. It was unanimous that they wanted to go to the Gotham Bowl."

"That win did more for us as far as confidence and momentum than any game we had played. The kids just wanted to go to a bowl game and prove that they could play well."

The momentum the Huskers received from the win in the Gotham Bowl had carry-over value into the 1963 season. And what a season it was. The Huskers finished 10-1 to win the conference championship and head for the Orange Bowl, the reward for being number 1 in the Big Eight. Their only loss was a 17-13 setback early in the season by Air Force.

Nebraska star quarterback Dennis Claridge remembers some speculative days: "We had all heard the rumors right after the Gotham Bowl that coach Devaney had been offered the job at the University of Miami and we wondered if he would leave Nebraska to take it. The wonder ended

Bob Devaney's first Orange Bowl victory came in 1964, but the Cornhuskers' most successful mentor ever coached four more Nebraska teams in the Miami classic and won all but one.



Quarterback Dennis Claridge eludes the last Auburn defender near the 20-yard line en route to a 68-yard touchdown gallop on the second play of the game.

when he called us all together in a team meeting and said, 'Fellas, coach Melton (linebacker coach John) just bought some new snow tires and I want him to be able to use them this winter.' That is just the way coach Devaney always was, calm and relaxed."

Nebraska fans know that decision had a great impact on Nebraska football over the next decade. That was the beginning of the dynasty.

"The appearance in the Orange Bowl really pushed us into the limelight as far as a national power is concerned. We had never played in front of that many people on national television before, so from that aspect it kind of pushed us into the national picture" Devaney remembers.

But the Huskers were abundant in talent with stars like quarterback Claridge and tackles Bob Brown and Larry Kramer. "We had some really outstanding players on that team and a lot of momentum and confidence," adds the legendary head coach.

The game hardly had begun when Claridge burst 68 yards for a touchdown on

the second play from scrimmage. Claridge ended the day with 108 yards and an Orange Bowl record for the longest run from scrimmage. Until the emergence of Jeff Quinn this season, Claridge was the only modern-time quarterback to run for over 100 yards as a Husker. For Bob Devaney, it was his second bowl win in as many tries.

But Bob Devaney will be the first to admit the Orange Bowl was not the highlight of the Huskers' 1963 campaign. "We really had established ourselves that year and we were excited about being the Big Eight representative to the Orange Bowl, but to be very honest, the climax of our season came with the win over Oklahoma the last game of the season," says Devaney.

There was some question at one point as to whether or not the Huskers and the Sooners would even do battle. "That was just a few days after President Kennedy had been killed and I really thought that Bud Wilkinson, being close to the government and to Kennedy, would want to can-

cel the game. But he didn't; in fact, he used the reverse approach that President Kennedy would have wanted us to play the game."

The revenge aspect was understandable; the year before Oklahoma had blasted the Huskers 34-6. The Huskers got their revenge 29-20 in Memorial Stadium and what a great day it was for Nebraska football.

"You hate to ever feel that a bowl game could be anticlimactic, but the win over Oklahoma was of extreme importance to our entire program," the Nebraska athletic director notes.

"The other thing about the Orange Bowl was that we did not feel as though we were playing the best team in that league. We really felt that Alabama was the best team out of that conference, so that took a little something away."

But the Huskers had moved into the national picture and would stay there for good. And it was the start of a lot of Husker trips to the beautiful beaches of Miami. **N**

Next: 1965 COTTON BOWL.

HUSKER

SCORECARD

by Cathy Chown

Nebraska's women's basketball team will be playing in some "backyards" this year, but can be expected to become better known in the sports world because of it.

Second-year head coach Lorrie Gallagher is confident that her 1979-80 Husker squad has the ability and the drive to become a nationally known team. But it takes more than that to compete with the likes of Old Dominion, Tennessee and Louisiana Tech.

Less than a year ago, Old Dominion bounced its way into the record books and

enlightened the basketball world by taking the women's national championships going away.

Nebraska will not have the opportunity to face OD this year, but the Huskers will find themselves at the doorsteps of Queens College, Louisiana Tech, Tennessee and Tennessee Tech to name a few, all top contenders in the basketball title race this year.

Gallagher wants the country to take notice of her squad. "One way we can get them to take notice is to play in their backyards."

The Huskers have an agreement with this year's new opponents to return the favor in Lincoln the next two years.

In addition to a more intense schedule this year, Gallagher has included a list of recruits that would make any coach proud.

Availability of scholarships helps obtain athletes from the areas of the country where competition for women basketball players is more fierce.

"Athletes are very much in demand and there aren't enough to go around," Gallagher says.

Traditionally, NU's athletes have been pulled from the State of Nebraska. Gallagher, however, feels in order to improve on the quality of the basketball program at Nebraska, she must supplement the talent of the Nebraska athletes with the experience of out-of-state women. "Then we can build into a national team," Gallagher says, but adds, "I'd like nothing better than to win the national championship with 15 kids from Nebraska."

Though Nebraska will be a young team this year, Gallagher said the driving force of her squad will be the enthusiasm of youth and the positive attitude of the players. She explained that the team "cheers and claps" after practices, and not just because workouts are over for the day.

Nebraska will lose some games this year, despite an outstanding 23-13 season last year, but Gallagher would prefer to call those losses "disappointments."

She calls the nation's top 20 women's basketball teams "an exclusive club," but Gallagher's optimistic attitude does not hide the fact she feels NU will have a solid opportunity to become a member. ■



Lorrie Gallagher, determined to put Nebraska women's basketball on the national map, has lined up a winter schedule that would be a challenge for any team in the country.

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1979 Football Schedule

DATE	NEBRASKA	IOWA STATE	KANSAS	KANSAS STATE
Sept. 8				
Sept. 15	UTAH STATE 35-14	BOWLING GREEN 38-10	at Pittsburgh 0-24	at Auburn 18-26
Sept. 22	at Iowa 24-21	at Texas 9-17	at Michigan 7-28	OREGON STATE 22-16
Sept. 29	PENN STATE 42-17	at Iowa 14-30	NORTH TEXAS STATE 37-18	at Air Force 19-6
Oct. 6	NEW MEXICO STATE 57-0	UNIV. OF THE PACIFIC 7-24	SYRACUSE 27-45	TULSA 6-9
Oct. 13	KANSAS	at Kansas State	at Nebraska	IOWA STATE
Oct. 20	at Oklahoma State	KANSAS	at Iowa State	OKLAHOMA
Oct. 27	COLORADO	at Oklahoma	OKLAHOMA STATE	at Missouri
Nov. 3	at Missouri	COLORADO	KANSAS STATE	at Kansas
Nov. 10	at Kansas State	MISSOURI	at Oklahoma	NEBRASKA
Nov. 17	IAWA STATE	at Nebraska	COLORADO	at Oklahoma State
Nov. 24	at Oklahoma	OKLAHOMA STATE	MISSOURI	at Colorado
DATE	MISSOURI	COLORADO	OKLAHOMA	OKLAHOMA STATE
Sept. 8	SAN DIEGO STATE 45-15	OREGON 19-33		NORTH TEXAS STATE 25-7
Sept. 15	at Illinois 14-6	LOUISIANA STATE 0-44	IOWA 21-6	WICHITA STATE 16-6
Sept. 22	at Mississippi 33-7	DRAKE 9-13	TULSA 49-13	Arkansas at Little Rock 7-27
Sept. 29	TEXAS 0-21	at Indiana 17-16	at Rice 63-21	
Oct. 6		at Oklahoma 24-49	COLORADO 49-24	at South Carolina 16-23
Oct. 13	OKLAHOMA STATE		Texas at Dallas	at Missouri
Oct. 20	at Colorado	MISSOURI	at Kansas State	NEBRASKA
Oct. 27	KANSAS STATE	at Nebraska	IOWA STATE	at Kansas
Nov. 3	NEBRASKA	at Iowa State	at Oklahoma State	OKLAHOMA
Nov. 10	at Iowa State	OKLAHOMA STATE	KANSAS	at Colorado
Nov. 17	OKLAHOMA	at Kansas	at Missouri	KANSAS STATE
Nov. 24	at Kansas	KANSAS STATE	NEBRASKA	at Iowa State

FINAL 1978 BIG EIGHT STANDINGS

	Conference	Overall
Oklahoma	6-1	11- 1
Nebraska	6-1	9- 3
Iowa State	4-3	8- 4
Missouri	4-3	8- 4
Kansas State	3-4	4- 7
Oklahoma State	3-4	3- 8
Colorado	2-5	6- 5
Kansas	0-7	1-10

Orange Blossom Special

Billy Sims gained 118 yards on 18 carries and scored four touchdowns, leading Oklahoma to a 49-24 victory over Colorado and ruining former OU coach Chuck Fairbanks' return to his old stomping grounds. Elsewhere, it was not a good week for Big Eight teams with Iowa State, Kansas, Kansas State and Oklahoma State losing. Missouri was idle.

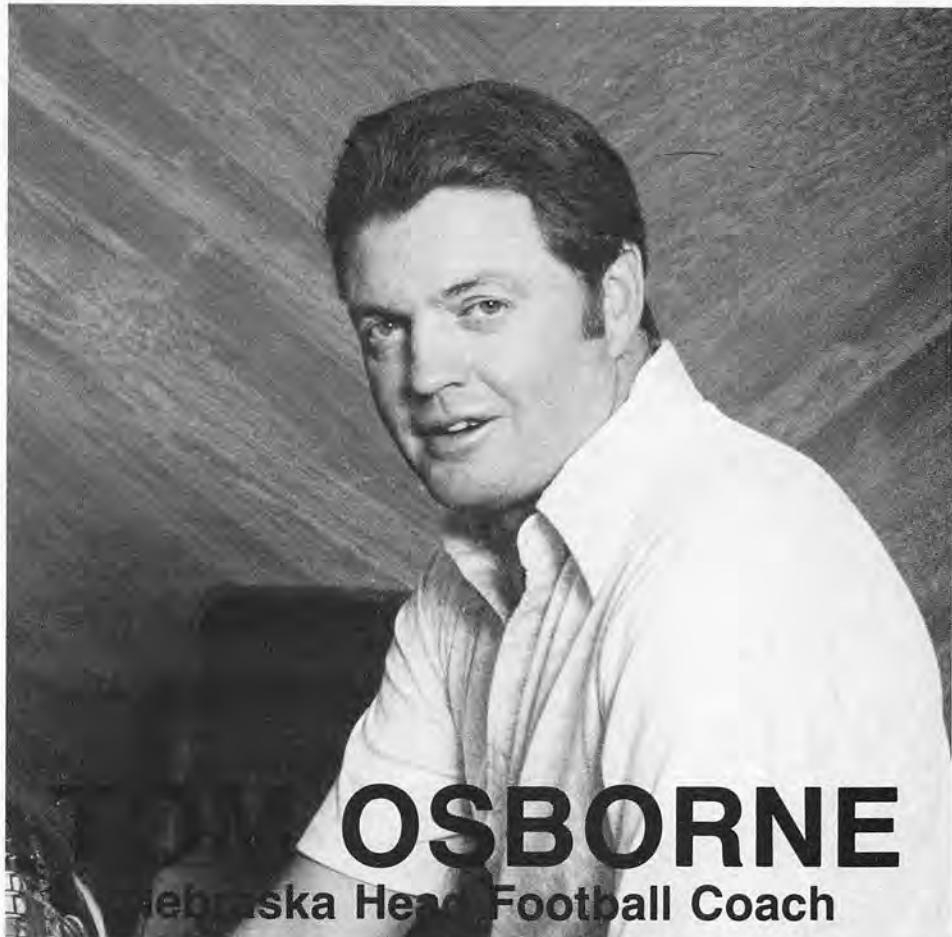
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Under head coach Tom Osborne, who is enjoying his seventh season as the Huskers' mentor, Nebraska has won two Big Eight titles (1975 and 1978), participated in six bowl games (1974 Cotton, 1974 Sugar, 1975 Fiesta, 1976 Astro-Bluebonnet, 1977 Liberty and 1979 Orange), appeared on national television at least twice a year in the last six seasons and been ranked in the country's top 10 during Osborne's entire reign.

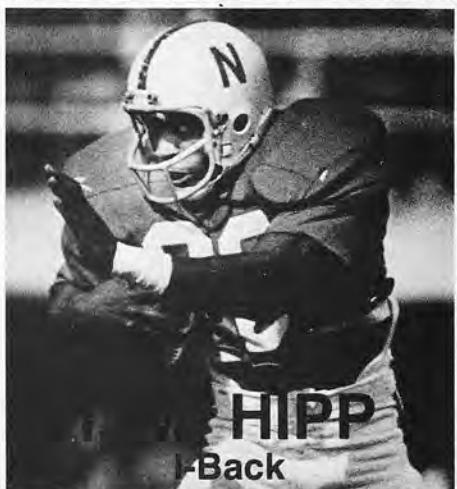
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Nebraska Head Football Coach



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1979-80 NU BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Saturday	November 24	WINDSOR, ONT.
Friday	November 30	SOUTH DAKOTA ST.
Saturday	December 1	PORTLAND STATE
Monday	December 3	EASTERN WASHINGTON
Saturday	December 8	CREIGHTON
Tuesday	December 11	at Purdue
Thursday	December 13	CAL-BAKERSFIELD
Saturday	December 15	at Minnesota
Saturday	December 22	ALABAMA-BIRMINGHAM
Thursday-Sunday	December 27-30	at Hawaii Classic (Hawaii, Nebraska, Army, Illinois, Louisville, Nevada-Reno, Princeton, Wisconsin)
Wednesday	January 2	at Idaho
Friday	January 4	WISCONSIN-OSHKOSH
Saturday	January 5	ANGELO STATE
Wednesday	January 9	at Iowa State
Saturday	January 12	MISSOURI
Wednesday	January 16	KANSAS
Saturday	January 19	at Colorado
Wednesday	January 23	OKLAHOMA STATE
Saturday	January 26	at Kansas State
Wednesday	January 30	OKLAHOMA
Saturday	February 2	at Missouri
Tuesday	February 5	at Kansas
Saturday	February 9	IOWA STATE
Wednesday	February 13	at Oklahoma State
Saturday	February 16	COLORADO
Wednesday	February 20	KANSAS STATE
Saturday	February 23	at Oklahoma
Tuesday	February 26	First Round — Big 8 Postseason Playoff (Campus Sites)
Friday	February 29	Semifinals — at Big 8 Postseason Playoff (Kansas City)
Saturday	March 1	Final — at Big 8 Postseason Playoff (Kansas City)
Thursday	March 6	First Round — NCAA in Lincoln
Saturday	March 8	Second Round — NCAA in Lincoln

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